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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q76205

Carsten JENSEN, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/600,591

Group Art Unit: 3643

Confirmation No.: 5506

Examiner: Richard Thomas Price, Jr.

Filed: June 23, 2003

For: AN APPARATUS AND A METHOD FOR AUTOMATIC CUTTING OF ORGANS  
FROM A PLUCKS SET FROM A CARCASS

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 30, 2004, in which the Examiner set a shortened statutory period for response by one month, making a reply due on or before October 30, 2004.

In the Action, the Examiner has required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to one of the following:

Group I      Claims 1-17, drawn to an apparatus classified in  
class 452, subclass 117; and

Group II      Claims 18-23, drawn to a method for automatic  
cutting of organs from a plucks set from a carcasses, classified in  
class 452, subclass 117.

Applicants hereby elect Group I, drawn to claims 1-17, without traverse. Applicants

reserve the right to file divisional applications on the non-elected claims.

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In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe that a complete examination on the merits is now in order. Early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes that a personal or telephone interview would be helpful, she is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below.

Applicants hereby petition for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Respectfully submitted,



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